

happy we never can feel secure that our happiness will continue. Now, were I mistress of a large ship, and had the power of sailing continually upon a calm and safe ocean, I would collect my dearest friends on board of her, and get out of

right of land as fast as possible, carrying with me of course various means of amusement and recreation. We would regulate our time and our pleasures as we chose—no disagreeable person could intrude upon us—no spectacles of misery would

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"Had you seen the former were in existence."—"This seems a very plausible scheme of yours, my love," replied Mr. Monte; "however, I am glad you cannot put it in execution. I don't know any part of the ocean that is exempted from tempests, and two persons resolved entirely to avoid, and with reason, for I suspect that a gale might very soon discompose you and your delicate party, even more than Captain Burder himself, were to find means of admittance into your projected floating Ellysium."

While we were engaged in conversation of this kind, I several times observed Sambo, the negro man, beckoning to me, and then putting his finger upon his lips. At length I went to the bows of the ship, where he stood, and asked if he had any thing to communicate. "Yes, yes, master," said he, in a whisper, "something very strange, and of great consequence—but will no one overhear us?" "Do not fear that," answered I. "Captain Burder is asleep in his berth, and the watch are all near the stern." "Then I will speak," answered Sambo,

You and that other gentleman have been kind to us, and have often tried to save me from the rage of my wicked master—I mean now to serve you in my turn. Your lives are in danger. The captain intends to cast away the vessel.' 'What do you mean?' cried I. 'I am as a loss to understand you.' 'Oh, I'll soon explain it all,' replied he. 'Last night I listened to my master and the mate, and found out that they had formed a plan to wreck this schooner, that they might get the insurance, which would buy her and all she contains, twenty times over. These bales, casks, and boxes, that lay in the hold, have no goods in them. They are full of sand and stones. Captain Burder has cheated the insurers in this way, and now he wants to run the vessel aground somewhere on the Bahama Banks, and leave her to beat to pieces by the waves. He and his crew, who are all leagued with him, will go off in the boat, and land upon the nearest coast, and give out that they have been shipwrecked. This story, if it is not found out to be false, will entitle him to claim the insurance, which is all he wants. Here is a scheme for you?'

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- 2d. Parcel of land east side of Corlies street, between Front and Water streets.
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- 5th. Lot north side of 64th street, near 63 avenue.
- 6th. Two lots north and south sides of 49th street, on east side of Lexington avenue.
- 7th. Six lots, north and south sides 58th street, between 57 and 61 avenues.
- 8th. Two blocks, bounded between 67th and 68th streets, 4th, Madison and 5th avenues.

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10th. Two lots west side of 4th avenue, between 75th and 76th streets.

11th. Thirty-eight lots 77th and 78th streets, 4th and 5th avenues.

12th. Thirty-five lots 79th and 80th streets, 4th and 5th avenues.

13th. Thirteen-four lots 81st and 82d streets, Madison

14th. Two lots south side 53d street, near 4th avenue.

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